

REMARKS

This amendment is submitted in a revised format as permitted by the USPTO in the notice of February 13, 2003.

The present application is a divisional of copending Application Ser. No. 09/763,218, filed on February 16, 2001, which is a national phase filing under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Application No. PCT/EP00/05349 filed June 8, 2000, which claims priority to European Patent Application No. 99201969.5 filed June 18, 1999. By this amendment, claims 1-33 are being cancelled inasmuch as these claims were prosecuted to allowance in the parent application. Claims 34 was subject to a restriction requirement in the parent application and has been amended to place the claim in better form. New claim 35 has been added, support which can be found in the specification at page 7, lines 20-22. The specification has been amended to correct the Title and Abstract, and to provide cross-reference to the related applications.

It is not believed that any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Amendment; nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge U.S. PTO Deposit Account 08-2336 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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